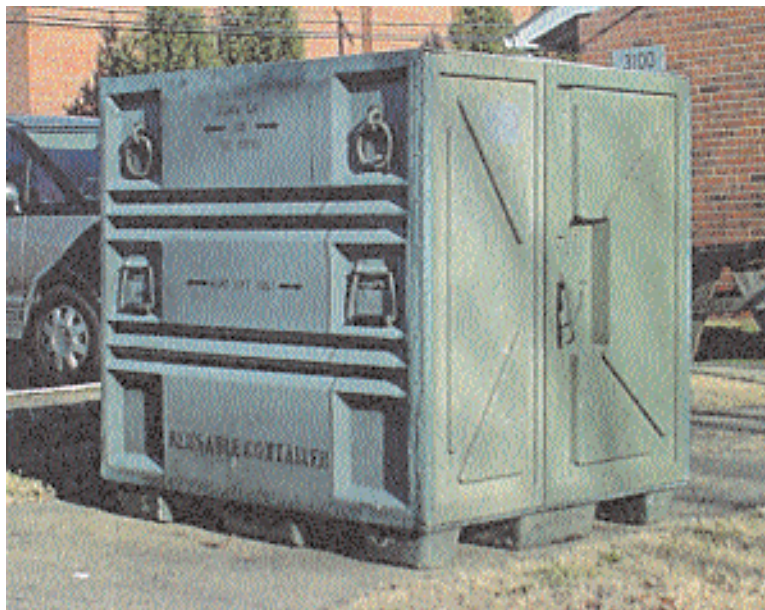


Family of Containers

Description

The Family of Container provides the Marine Corps with a fully intermodal transport capability emphasizing dimensional standardization and International Standards Organization (ISO) to ensure compatibility. MARFOR units store and transport small organic equipment and consumable supplies in the containers. The containers are capable of safe and efficient use in all areas, under all climatic conditions. They can be transported on MARFOR organic vehicles, over all types of terrain on which MAGTFs deploy. The containers are also transportable on Navy amphibious ships, commercial cargo ships, and Air Force prime mission aircraft. Two types of containers are procured, The Palletized Container (PALCON) and Quadruple Container (QUADCON). The PALCON and its accessories are used for storage and transportation of organic equipment and consumable supplies during deployment and in garrison. The QUADCON is a lockable, weatherproof, prefabricated steel container that is accessible through double doors on both sides. It has four-way tineways for forklift transport.



Operational Impact

The family of cargo containers provides a significant increase in current capability by using modern technology to containerize and unitize break-bulk cargo in a weather tight, prefabricated, dimensionally standard and reusable containers. They have the capability to integrate with containerships and other merchant vessels. They are a more efficient method of packaging and moving of cargo. They provide the degree of containerization required for rapid and efficient movement to the AOA.

Program Status

QUADCONS

Thirty percent of the QUADCONS have already been fielded. A recompleted QUADCON production contract was awarded May 1999. The IOC for the Marine Corps was 2nd Qtr FY94 and FOC is scheduled for FY08.

PALCONS

Thirty percent of the PALCONS have already been fielded. An RFP to recomplete the initial production contract was released in Feb 99, with contract awarded in 4th QTR FY99. IOC for the Marine Corps was 2nd Qtr FY94 and FOC is scheduled for FY08.

Procurement Profile	FY02	FY03
QUADCON Quantity:	2346	0
PALCON Quantity:	5151	0

Developer/Manufacturer QUADCONS - Charleston Marine Containers Inc. Charleston, SC
PALCONS - Plastics Research Inc. Santa Fe Springs, CA

